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The House met at 3 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. EVANS).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,

April 8, 2021.

I hereby appoint the Honorable DWIGHT EVANS to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following prayer:

Our God, our help in ages past, we give You thanks for the life of Representative Alcee L. Hastings, friend and colleague, judge and leader in service to You and to this country, for many years.

For the shelter You provided him, that he would, in his lifelong pursuit of civil rights, find triumph in the face of adversity, hope in the pursuit of equal justice, and Your sufficient grace in his efforts to advance respect for all humanity, we give You our heartfelt thanks.

Like an ever-rolling stream, time has borne this Your son, our brother, away. But may we not forget his compassionate, perhaps flamboyant, fighting spirit. And in these days and the days to come, be our guard in grief in sure and certain hope that Alcee Hastings now rests from his labors in Your everlasting arms.

For giving us the gift of such a man with whom we have been privileged to know, we are grateful to You.

We pray in the abiding love of Your holy name.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 11(a) of House Resolution 188, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Maryland (Mr. HARRIS) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. HARRIS led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

COMMUNICATION FROM CHAIR OF COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the chair of the Committee on Ethics:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
COMMITTEE ON ETHICS,
Washington, DC, March 30, 2021.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker,
Washington, DC.

DEAR SPEAKER PELOSI: On February 26, 2021, the Committee on Ethics (Committee) received an appeal from Representative Louie Gohmert of a fine imposed pursuant to House Resolution 73. The appeal was received after the Committee adopted its written rules.

A majority of the Committee did not agree to the appeal.

Sincerely,

THEODORE E. DEUTCH,
Chairman.
JACKIE WALORSKI,
Ranking Member.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE REPUBLICAN LEADER

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Honorable KEVIN MCCARTHY, Republican Leader:

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker of the House,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: Pursuant to 2 USC § 2081, I am pleased to appoint the following Member to the United States Capitol Preservation Commission:

The Honorable RANDY FEENSTRA of Iowa
Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

KEVIN MCCARTHY
Republican Leader.

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE JOHN F. KENNEDY CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to section 2(a) of the National Cultural Center Act (20 U.S.C. 76h(a)), amended by Public Law 107-117, and the order of the House of January 4, 2021, of the following Members on the part of the House to the Board of Trustees of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts:

Mrs. BEATTY, Ohio
Ms. ESHOO, California

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO BE AVAILABLE TO SERVE ON INVESTIGATIVE SUBCOMMITTEES OF THE COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to clause 5(a)(4)(A) of rule X, and the order of the House of January 4, 2021, of the following Members of the House to be available to serve on investigative subcommittees of the Committee on Ethics for the 117th Congress:

□ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., □ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

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